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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6370

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY BONN

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SUBJ: CIVAIR: BERLIN-PARIS CHARTERS

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS CONVEYED ITS VIEWS ON OUR RECENT AIDE-MEMOIRE ON BERLIN-PARIS CHARTERS TO SGAC, WHICH IS NOW STUDYING THE DOSSIER. SGAC STAFF LEVEL OFFICIAL WHO IS WORKING ON THIS QUESTION (PARTY OF BILATERAL AFFAIRS BUREAU IN DIRECTORATE OF AIR TRANSPORT) TOLD US LATE LAST WEEK IN SEMI JOCLAR VIEN THAT SGAC WAS DISPOSED TO BE "AS GENEROUS" WITH US AS THE BRITISH.
2. WE RAISED SUBJECT ANEW ON DEC 23 WITH CLAUDE-LAFONTAINE OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, WHO WAS AWARE OF LATEST BERLIN AND BONN DEVELOPMENTS. WHILE SHE WOULD GIVE US NO INKLING OF WHAT POSITION FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD TAKEN WITH SGAC, SHE SAID WHOLE QUESTION WAS CURRENTLY UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION WITHIN GOF.
3. COMMENT: WE ARE OBVIOUSLY CAUGHT IN VICIOUS CIRCLE, WITH FRENCH AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS EACH CHOOSING TO

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POINT TO RESTRICTIONS OF THE OTHER AS PRECEDENT FOR

THEIR OWN RESTRICTIONS ON US CARRIER ACCESS TO BERLIN-
ORIGIN CHARTER TRAFFIC TO LONDON AND PARIS. WE AGREE WITH
AMEMBASSY BONN (BONN 20636) THAT IF NEW HIGHER LEVEL DE-
MARCHE IS MADE BY DEPT. TO BRITISH EMBASSY WASHINGTON
THEN PARALLEL DEMARCH TO FRENCH EMBASSY OUGHT ALSO TO BE
CONSIDERED. THIS ADDITIONAL PRESSURE COULD HELP INFLUENCE
OUTCOME OF CURRENT GOF REVIEW THIS QUESTION. FAILURE TO
MAKE PARALLEL DEMARCHE TO FRENCH COULD CREATE IMPRESSION
USG ATTACHES LESS IMPORTANCE TO BERLIN-PARIS THAN TO
BERLIN-LONDON CHARTERS, WHEREAS AS NOTED ABOVE BRITISH
AND FRENCH POSITIONS ARE CLOSELY INTER-RELATED.
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